

**PRESS RELEASE**  
**IOWA BOARD OF MEDICINE**  
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Recently, the Iowa Board of Medicine took the following action:

**Ronnie B. Martin, D.O.**, a 59 year-old physician who formerly practiced family medicine in Des Moines, Iowa, had his Iowa medical license suspended by the Board. On February 3, 2006, the Board ordered Dr. Martin to complete a confidential comprehensive clinical competency evaluation. Dr. Martin filed an objection and a hearing was held. On July 13, 2006, the Board ordered Dr. Martin to complete the evaluation within 60 days. On September 14, 2006, the Board charged Dr. Martin for failing to complete the evaluation in violation of the Board Order. A hearing was held before a panel of the Board and the panel concluded that Dr. Martin violated Iowa law when he failed to submit to the evaluation. The panel recommended the suspension of Dr. Martin's Iowa medical license until he completes the evaluation. The panel also recommended that Dr. Martin receive a public reprimand and pay a \$5,000 fine. Dr. Martin appealed the panel decision and a hearing was held before the full Board. On August 28, 2008, the full Board affirmed the panel decision. The Board indefinitely suspended Dr. Martin's Iowa medical license, issued him a public reprimand and order him to pay a \$5,000 fine.

**Vladimir Redko, M.D.**, a 52 year-old anesthesiologist from Houston, Texas, had formal disciplinary action taken against him by the Iowa Board. On September 17, 2007, the Texas Medical Board disciplined Dr. Redko for failing to document appropriate patient examinations, including medical necessity, for five patients. The Texas Board required Dr. Redko to have a Board-approved monitor review his medical practice for the calendar year ending December 31, 2008. He is also required to complete at least twelve (12) hours of Board-approved continuing medical education (CME) in the area of record keeping and/or risk management and pay a \$2,000 fine. The Iowa Board required Dr. Redko to fully comply with the Texas requirements, issued him a public reprimand and ordered to him pay a \$1,000 fine.

**Jerry G. Schaaf, M.D.**, a 66 year-old physician practicing family medicine in Shenandoah, Iowa, had a disciplinary decision issued by the Board. On April 27, 2006, the Board charged Dr. Schaaf with engaging in inappropriate sexual misconduct. On November 28-29, 2007, a hearing was held before a panel of the Board and a Proposed Decision of the Panel was issued on January 28, 2008. Dr. Schaaf appealed the decision and a hearing was held before the full Board on May 14, 2008. On June 12, 2008, the full Board issued a Final Order affirming the Proposed Decision of the Panel. The Board concluded that Dr. Schaaf sexually abused a fourteen year-old patient in 1973. The Board ordered Dr. Schaaf to pay a \$10,000 fine and placed him on probation for five years. The Board also ordered Dr. Schaaf to have a Board-approved chaperone in the room at all times when he treats children. On June 26, 2008, Dr. Schaaf filed a request for rehearing and the state subsequently joined the request. A hearing was held on July 8, 2008. On August 28, 2008, the Board issued a new Order. The Board concluded that in addition to the original allegations, Dr. Schaaf inappropriately provided medical care to two adult males with whom he was romantically involved. The Board ordered Dr. Schaaf to comply with the terms and conditions of the June 12, 2008, Final Order. Additionally, Dr. Schaaf is required to complete a Board-approved sexual boundaries course by October 10, 2008.